

LOCAL NEWS.

ARRIVAL OF THE PUTNAM PHALANX. RECEPTION AT THE DEPOT.

Scenes at the National—Visit to Secretary Toucy.

Long before the hour announced for the arrival of the Phalanx yesterday evening, large crowds had gathered in and around the Depot, anxious to obtain a glimpse of the far-famed battalion. At about half past five o'clock, company A of the Washington Light Infantry, numbering forty-five musketeers, headed by the marine band, and accompanied by the officers of the entire battalion, marched into the main hall. Shortly after, the shrill whistle of the locomotive sounded, and, five minutes later, the cars were at the Depot.

The Infantry presented arms, and the marine band played a salute, as the Phalanx entered the hall. The whole procession then formed in line, and marched to the National Hotel, by way of New Jersey and Pennsylvania avenues. On the route, many flags were displayed, and, in addition, the army of the Light Infantry, on Pennsylvania avenue, between Fourth and Sixth streets, was illuminated in all three stories, and in one story was a large transparency, on which was inscribed the following words: "Washington Light Infantry's Welcome to the Putnam Phalanx." All along the route, immense throngs of people were assembled, to greet the Phalanx, and from many of the windows handkerchiefs were waved by the ladies, who are ever among the first to testify their appreciation of that which is noble in the sterner sex.

Arrived in front of the National Hotel, the Putnam Phalanx and the Washington Light Infantry were drawn up in line, when the former were received in an address of welcome by the Mayor, Hon. James G. Berret.

Previous to the Mayor's address, three thundering cheers were given for the continental uniform by the assemblage.

THE MAYOR'S ADDRESS.
Addressing Major Goodwin and the members of the Putnam Phalanx, the Mayor observed that the pleasant duty had devolved upon him of welcoming to the metropolis of the nation—the capital of thirty-three sovereign States—the members of this battalion. Nothing could confer higher honor, or stimulate the people of this city to greater deeds of patriotism, than this visit. In such times as these, it is fit that these men should be found wending their way to that spot where repose the ashes of the immortal Washington. Their presence could not fail to awaken patriotism in the minds of all. He cordially welcomed them to the hospitalities of the city, and hoped that their visit might be a pleasant and profitable one, and that they might all return to their homes in safety.

RESPONSE OF JUDGE ADVOCATE STEWART.
Major Goodwin, the commandant, then introduced to the Mayor J. W. Stewart, Esq., judge advocate, who responded to the address of welcome delivered by the Mayor.

For the kind, flattering, and unexpected welcome the members of the Putnam Phalanx had received, he returned his most hearty thanks. Strangers as they were in the Federal Metropolis, they were all the more surprised at the cordial welcome which they had received. It furnished full evidence that the people of this city sympathized with them in their devotion to the Union, and in honoring the memory of the fathers of the Revolution. This united labor, in behalf of our common Republic, could not fail to operate as a grand healing power. [Great applause.] To promote such a consummation, is the high aim and pride of our battalion; and so they had patterned after the father of his country; and in such a uniform, they seek his ashes upon the banks of yonder Potomac, to renew their vows to the memory of the immortal Washington. Again returning his thanks for the honor which had been shown them, he stated that the battalion would then proceed to the quarters prepared for them.

An enthusiastic gentleman on the portico here proposed three cheers for the Continental uniform, which were responded to in the most vociferous manner.

The Phalanx then marched into the hotel, and spent the two following hours in receiving their old friends, in making new ones, and in a thousand other pleasant ways.

VISIT TO SECRETARY TOUCY.

A little before nine o'clock, the roll of the drum was again heard, and the companies formed in line, preparatory to making a call upon Hon. Isaac Toucy, Secretary of the Navy, who is a native of Connecticut, and hails from Hartford city, the same place the Phalanx is from.

At the residence of Mr. Toucy, which is at the corner of C and Four-and-a-half streets, we found quite a number of guests congregated before the arrival of the military visitors. Here, in one corner, was the venerable Lewis Cass, Secretary of State, and not far off was Secretary Thompson. In the opposite corner was Secretary Floyd, who seemed to take the greatest delight in the scenes which were transpiring around him. Here, also, we noticed Hon. Mr. Boulogne, of the House of Representatives, and a score of army and navy officers. In a retired corner, a little removed from the animated scene, we observed Shaw of the New York Herald, Pangborne and Evans of the New York Times, Wallach and Clephane of the Washington Star, and Olet of the Constitution. Still further removed from this scene, but in the midst of a carnival of their own creating, stood Gray and Snowden, with their assistants, who were assiduous in their exertions to satisfy the inner man. The tall form of Captain Schaffer, of the National Rifles, might also have been seen towering above all others.

After the Phalanx had entered and were drawn up in line, they were all presented to Secretaries Cass, Floyd, and Toucy, by whom they were received in the most cordial manner. They were then invited to partake of a bountiful collation which had been prepared by order of the worthy host, to which ample justice was done.

Judge Advocate Stewart then briefly addressed Secretary Toucy, thanking him for the kindness he had ever shown them, and for the interest he had always taken in the welfare of the corps. He referred to the fact of Mr. Toucy having been for so long a time Governor of Connecticut, and to the exalted positions he had occupied in the nation. He felt assured, too, that in the happy development of this organization, Mr. T. had performed a prominent part. Referring to Connecticut, he remarked that in the great work of establishing liberty, she had signified herself. Her blood was poured freely out upon the fields of the revolution; many of her sons had found a soldier's grave during that fearful contest. This battalion had now come on a pilgrimage to the tomb where rested the remains of him who was so dear to every American, and he trusted that they might all be spared to again contemplate those times of purity and self denial, such as the past history of this country had been, and that this Government might become a model Government, and a marvel to all other nations.

He again thanked the Secretary for his kind welcome, and for the manner in which he had entertained them.

Secretary Toucy responded briefly. He was much pleased to meet so many of his old

friends again, on an occasion like this. Without making any allusion to the present state of public affairs, which certainly were not of the most cheering character, he rejoiced to meet them at the seat of Government, where they could contemplate for themselves the state of public affairs. However others may have been misled, he believed there was here a deep conservative feeling which would save us from the dangers which are now threatening.

The Phalanx could now have a better opportunity of examining into the real causes of the danger, and carry back to their homes true information concerning it. He wished them a pleasant trip and a safe return.

The Phalanx, with their escort, returned to their quarters at the National shortly after ten o'clock, well pleased with their visit.

The following is a description of the most marked features of this fine corps.
Attached to the Phalanx is an old-fashioned drum-and-life band of ten performers, after the revolutionary style. They are dressed in red coats, black pants, and cocked hat, with white and red feathers. After which came the Putnam Phalanx, numbering in uniforms, one hundred and ten men, besides some thirty honorary members, who occupied a middle position in the line.

The visitors are mostly elderly men of large size, and few, if any, have seen short of forty summers. They were dressed in black pants, yellow-topped boots, blue coat with brass buttons, and trimmed with buff cloth, ruffled shirt bosoms, white neck ties, cocked hat, with light eagle, and black and red feathers. The officers of the battalion were similarly dressed, with the exception of their wearing white feathers instead of black and red. The visiting company is officered as follows:

Hon. Lloyd E. Baldwin, acting Adjutant for the excursion, by appointment of the Major Commandant.

Staff Officers—Jos. D. Williams, Adjutant; Eugene B. Strong, Quartermaster; James B. Crosby, Paymaster; Henning Mann, Commissary; Henry C. Deming, Assistant Commissary; J. W. Stewart, Judge Advocate; Asher Moore, Chaplain; Thomas Minor, Surgeon; D. P. Francis, Assistant Surgeon; William Isham, Sergeant Major; Charles T. Martin, Quartermaster Sergeant; Julius M. Sexton, Secretary.

Captains—Allen S. Stillman and Alexander M. Gordon.

About twelve or fifteen ladies of the members of the Phalanx accompany them on their trip.

This morning, shortly after ten o'clock, the Phalanx left for Mount Vernon, escorted by Major Davis and the officers of the Infantry battalion. To-night, the complimentary ball in their honor comes off at the Assembly Rooms, which will no doubt be largely attended.
We regret to have to notice the insulting manner in which some of the police thought proper to act towards the vast crowd present last night, some of them striking right and left, and appearing to have no regard whatever either to age or condition. An old gentleman in front of the National Hotel last night was struck by one of these "guardians of the peace," for no other offence than happening to be on the pavement when the procession arrived. When rows occur in that vicinity, it generally requires a microscope to detect these individuals; but when the military is about, and the eye of the Chief of Police is on them, then look out for a splurge.

THE DISTRICT IN CONGRESS.—The estimates of appropriations for the next fiscal year contain the following: District of Columbia—Penitentiary, \$22,866.25; public buildings and grounds, &c., in Washington, \$180,645; portion north from Patent Office building \$75,000; jail, \$150,000; Government asylum for insane, \$53,500; institution for deaf and dumb and blind, \$3,000; Patent Office, drawings to illustrate report on agricultural statistics, \$97,400; for the Capitol extension, \$500,000; nothing asked for the new dome; for the General Post Office extension, \$52,830 is necessary to complete the work; the sum of \$15,000 is required for alterations in the old building, so as to introduce hot and cold air—total, \$67,830.

Washington Arsenal—For one brick building, 310 by 50 feet, two stories, slate roof; for sea wall, nine feet high by five feet wide at the base, bevelling off to three feet six inches at top; filling in space from sea wall to present shore; cutting down high river banks; grading west front; conversion of "model arsenal" into quarters for commanding officer, fences and repairs, &c., \$24,900.

Yard—For the preservation of works and current repairs, \$10,000; for Fort Carroll, Baltimore harbor, \$50,000; for Fort Monroe, Hampton Roads, \$5,000; Fort Calhoun, \$75,000; repairs of the Potomac navy yard, and upper bridges, and the roads appurtenant thereto, in Washington, \$6,000. Appropriations for repairs of Pennsylvania avenue, \$3,000; Public Reservation No. 2 and Lafayette Square, \$2,000; for taking care of the grounds south of the President's House, continuing the improvement of the same, and keeping them in order, \$3,000. This square contains fifty or sixty acres, and was laid out by A. J. Downing at great expense. It has suffered much during the last few years for the means to keep it in order. For constructing the cellar of the north front of Patent office building into office and store rooms, and for iron railing around area, and flagging, \$12,000; for the care of Judiciary Square, \$500.

DEATH.—Lieutenant Bell, 1st cavalry, a graduate of West Point, died on Sunday last, the 2d ultimo, at Old Point Comfort, Virginia, of malignant typhoid fever.

APPOINTMENT.—The vacancy left by the death of the late Mr. J. M. Cathcart, Chief Clerk in the Second Comptroller's office, on the 26th of November, has been filled by the appointment of J. H. Houston.

WATCH REPORT.—Joseph Goldsmith was brought in, charged with using his tongue in an unlawful manner, viz: uttering oaths; he was charged \$10.94. Alexander Jackson wished to butter his toast, and took the liberty of taking the needful butter without pay. Gave bail for court.

WASHINGTON ATHLETIC.—This literary society met last evening, at their usual place, City Hall. Mr. Duncan, the President, in the chair.

Mr. Davis, of California, wished to present a question to be discussed, after the disposition of the one now under consideration.

Mr. Smith objected, on the ground that it was contrary to the rules of the society, which require all questions to pass through the hands of the proper committee before coming before the Society.

On motion of Mr. Nixon, that rule was suspended, in order to permit Mr. Davis to present his question, which was as follows: Has a State of this Union a right to secede from the Federal Government? which was adopted; and Mr. Tucker appointed on the affirmative, and Mr. Davis took the negative.

Messrs. Wise of Alabama, McClure of Texas, and Jones of Virginia, begged to be excused for being absent at the last meeting, which was granted.

The question for the evening, Was Mary,

Queen of Scots, as a fugitive, amenable to the laws of England? was then taken up, and Mr. Orme, of Illinois, opened the debate in an able yet not lengthy speech.

Mr. Smith, of the Department of the Interior, followed, in a lengthy and able historical development of the whole subject.

Mr. Spencer replied in an eloquent and most happy manner, after which the Society adjourned, leaving the question still open for discussion next Wednesday evening.

PERSONAL.—Charles Hamlin, of Maine, son of the Vice President elect, who has recently been married, is now stopping at the Washington House with his lady. They are now on their bridal tour.

CRIMINAL COURT.—After we went to press yesterday, the case against the McCanns, Finley, Scrivener, and Cassidy, was given to the jury, who returned a verdict of guilty as to the second count, and not guilty as to the first. Each sentenced to a fine of five dollars and costs.

This morning, John Urie was tried on the charge of stealing a pocket book containing ten dollars from John F. Collins. Verdict of guilty, recommended to the mercy of the Court.

The court then took up the case of Joseph Robbins alias Dolly Dobbins, charged with stealing a quantity of sheet lead and brass keys from H. L. Offit; case pending when our report closed.

BEWARE OF PICKPOCKETS.—At the steamboat landing this morning, in the crowd which assembled to witness the embarkation of the Putnam Phalanx for Mount Vernon, one gentleman was relieved of a pocket book, containing a sum of money and other valuables. Another lost a fob chain, but a strong guard chain saved his watch.

FIRE.—About half past four o'clock this morning, flames were seen to issue from the shed back of the carpenter shop of Mr. W. Henry Parker, on G, between Seventeenth and Eighteenth streets, and, extending to the shop, it soon level with the ground; and the back building of the residence of Dr. Johnson, U. S. A., on the north, and the two fine houses of Mr. F. A. Lutz, (one occupied by himself, and the other by Mr. M. Garrett), were soon in flames.

The furniture of Mr. Garrett and Mr. Lutz was mostly saved. Mr. Parker lost nearly all he had, including a quantity of new work. Loss about eight hundred dollars.
The Union, Franklin, Perseverance, Columbia, and Western Hose companies, were early on the ground, and to their efforts the saving of the adjoining property is attributable.

The loss of Messrs. Lutz and Garrett is about three thousand dollars, which was partly insured.

DEATH OF AN OLD CITIZEN.—Daniel W. Hall, an old and esteemed resident, died yesterday, in the seventy-fifth year of his age. His remains were this afternoon conveyed to Baltimore for interment.

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